



# NEWS ADVISORY

## County of Los Angeles

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### DEC. 9 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS--- AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

9:30 a.m.

#### **Presentation:**

City of Hermosa Beach is commended for its participation in the County's "Safe Surrender" program, which allows unwanted newborns to be taken to designated places such as fire stations and hospitals.

Tournament of Roses 86<sup>th</sup> Rose Queen, Megan Chinen, and her 2004 Royal Court are honored by Board.

Foster children recognized for academic performance.

#### **Agenda Items:**

Housing Authority seeks approval of \$5.5 million agreement to develop 75-unit senior housing complex in Hacienda Heights. (Items 1-H and 18)

Supervisor Don Knabe requests support of Senate Bill 877, which would set federal limits and penalties for unsolicited e-mails. (Item 3)

Consideration given to supporting proposed constitutional amendment for November 2004 ballot that would protect counties, cities and special districts from actions by state to remove tax dollars from the control of local governments. (Item 4)

Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich, in an effort to curtail fraud in the GAIN welfare payment system, requests adoption of policy that only designated County employees are authorized to approve such payments. (Item 5, continued from 7-29, 8-26 and 10-21)

Report sought on expanding County's registered nurse service-scholarship grant program and reestablishing award program to recruit licensed nursing personnel. (Item 6)

Board asked to consider adopting policy of granting five-day leave for employees returning from active military duty in response to the worldwide terrorist crisis. (Item 7)

Report asked on management of overtime by Sheriff's Department, billing and collection process of Health Services Department, and financial review of County Library. (Item 8)

Supervisor Yvonne Brathwaite Burke requests authorization for First Five grant application to finance the purchase of preschool age recreation equipment at Bethune and Saybrook parks in Los Angeles. (Item 10, continued from 12-2)

Approval sought for master agreement with consulting firms to assist County in developing quality, cost-effective risk management and insurance programs. (Item 15)

Department of Health Services requests \$1.9 million increase in budget for sexually-transmitted disease prevention programs. (Item 19)

Sheriff's Department seeks approval of \$498,062 agreement to develop computerized system for tracking employee complaints of discrimination in promotions as part of its compliance with the federal mandate in "Bouman v. Baca." (Item 39, continued from 12-02)

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